## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A process of removing impurities from a cured low dielectric constant organic polymeric film disposed on a semiconductor device comprising disposing a low dielectric constant curable organic polymeric film on an electrically conductive surface of a semiconductor device; curing said organic polymeric film disposed on said semiconductor device; and contacting said cured organic polymeric film with supercritical carbon dioxide and, optionally, one or more solvents.
- 2. A process in accordance with Claim 1 wherein said cured low dielectric constant organic polymeric film is a polyarylene resin.
- 3. A process in accordance with Claim 2 wherein said polyarylene resin is formed from a precursor composition which comprises a compound having cyclopentadiene functional groups, acetylene functional aromatic compounds and/or partially polymerized reaction products of said compounds.
- 4. A process in accordance with Claim 3 wherein said compound having biscyclopentadienone functional groups is a biscyclopentadienone of the formula

$$R^1$$
 $R^1$ 
 $R^1$ 
 $R^1$ 
 $R^1$ 
 $R^1$ 

where R<sup>1</sup> is independently hydrogen or an unsubstituted or inertly substituted aromatic moiety; and Ar<sup>1</sup> is an unsubstituted or inertly substituted aromatic moiety; and said acetylene functional aromatic compound is a polyfunctional acetylene of the formula

where  $R^2$  is independently hydrogen or an unsubstituted or inertly substituted aromatic moiety;  $Ar^3$  is an unsubstituted or inertly substituted aromatic moiety; and y is an integer at least 3.

5. A process in accordance with Claim 4 wherein said precursor composition includes a diacetylene of the formula

$$R^2$$
  $R^2$   $R^2$   $R^2$ 

where  $Ar^2$  is an unsubstituted or inertly substituted aromatic moiety; and  $R^2$  has the meanings given above.

6. A process in accordance with Claim 4 wherein said precursor composition comprises a curable polymer of the formula [A]<sub>w</sub>[B]<sub>z</sub>[EG]<sub>v</sub> where A has the structure

## B has the structure

and EG are end groups having a formula

$$-0 - Ar^2 \xrightarrow{R^1} R^1$$

$$-0-Ar^3$$

$$R^1$$

$$R^1$$

$$R^1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} R^2 & ---- \\ ---- & ---- \\ R^2 & ---- & ---- \end{bmatrix}_{y-1} Ar^3 - --- R^2 - ----$$

where  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ ,  $Ar^1$ ,  $Ar^3$  and y have the meanings given above; M is a bond; p is the number of unreacted acetylene groups in the given mer unit; r is 1 less than the number of reacted acetylene groups in the given mer unit, with the proviso that p+r=y-1; w is an integer of 0 to about 1,000; z is an integer of 1 to about 1,000; and v is an integer of at least 2.

7. A process in accordance with Claim 5 wherein said precursor composition comprises a curable polymer of the formula [A]<sub>w</sub>[B]<sub>z</sub>[EG]<sub>v</sub> where A has the structure

B has the structure

and end groups EG have the formula

where  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ ,  $Ar^1$ ,  $Ar^2$ ,  $Ar^3$  and y have the meanings given above; M is a bond; p is the number of unreacted acetylene groups in the given mer unit; r is 1 less than the number of reacted acetylene groups in the given mer unit, with the proviso that p+r=y-1, w is an integer of 0 to about 1,000; z is an integer of 1 to about 1,000; and v is an integer of at least 2.

- 8. A process in accordance with Claim 1 wherein said low dielectric constant organic film is a poly(silsesquioxane).
- 9. A process in accordance with Claim 8 wherein said poly(silsesquioxane) is poly(methylsilsesquioxane).
- 10. A process in accordance with Claim 8 wherein said poly(silsesquioxane) is poly(hydridosilsesquioxane).

- 11. A process in accordance with Claim 9 wherein said poly(methylsilsesquioxane) is cured at a temperature of up to about 450°C.
- 12. A process in accordance with Claim 10 wherein said poly(hydridsilsesquioxane is cured at a temperature of up to about 210°C.
- 13. A process in accordance with Claim 1 wherein said organic polymeric film is an interlevel or intralevel dielectric in said semiconductor device.
- 14. A process in accordance with Claim 1 wherein said supercritical carbon dioxide contacts said cured low dielectric constant organic polymeric film with at least one solvent.
- 15. A process in accordance with Claim 14 wherein said solvent is selected from the group consisting of cyclohexanone, methylisobutylketone, mesitylene, alcohols having the structural formula ROH, where R is C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl or C<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>-cycloalkyl, and C<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>8</sub> cycloalkyls.
- 16. A process in accordance with Claim 15 wherein said solvent is present in a concentration in a range of between about 1% and about 80%, said percentages being by volume, based on the total volume of said supercritical carbon dioxide-solvent composition.
- 17. A process in accordance with Clam 16 wherein said solvent is present in a concentration in a range between about 1% and about 50%.